

REPUBLICANS HOLD MASS MEETING SATURDAY NIGHT

A mass meeting of the republicans of the Flagstaff precinct was held at the court house last Saturday night for the purpose of selecting twenty delegates to the republican county convention to be held here on tomorrow afternoon.

There was a good turnout of representative republicans and each of them was filled with confidence that there would be a marked change in the political complexion of the county, state and nation next fall. There was enthusiasm in the air and it was of the earnest kind that portends some fight this fall, one that will go down in local history as the "big" fight.

The meeting was called to order and F. S. Breen made chairman, with Francis D. Crable secretary.

The following delegates were selected to attend the county convention by a unanimous vote:

F. W. Smith, Chas. H. Adams,
 Chas. H. Adams, G. T. Wall,
 F. S. Breen, Geo. T. Herrington
 Al Doyle, J. C. Brown,
 Fred O. Allen, Dr. M. G. Fronske,
 Henry Cooper, Albert Dennis,
 Mrs. B. Kennedy, Milt Powers,
 Wm. Hicklin, J. C. Dolan,
 C. C. Harvey, Ray Babbitt,
 J. C. Moritz, Mrs. A. A. Johnston

Many questions of interest came up and were discussed including the formation of a republican club, which met with the approval of the assembled republicans and action was taken to see that it was promptly organized with a prospect of a big membership, including many "first republican voters."

Owing to the present primary law, there is not a great deal the delegates can do in the way of nominations, as it is necessary that they go through the primary formula prescribed so cunningly by our democratic brethren, which procedure, with its attending costs to the people, will be held on September 12th, next.

The republicans are looking for a good sized convention tomorrow, as there is usually more interest taken in a republican year, notwithstanding the fact that the major part of the "pep" has been taken out of it by the convention form of government.

SANTA FE INAUGURATES NEW FREE LIFE INSURANCE

The Santa Fe Railroad Company has established, commencing July 1st, a remarkably good system in the interest of their employees which will, or should eventually work out to the general benefit of all concerned. That the railroads have in past years sowed a crop that eventually brought back a whirlwind against them, is true, but in more recent years there seems to have been a feeling among officials to get back to safe and reasonable grounds.

The new system of life insurance for employees is free and undoubtedly intended to make the thousands of employees feel that they belong to the large family serving the public, regardless of the many kicks and knocks from all quarters; that the interests of one is the interest of the other.

The plan as laid down briefly is to give each family of an employee a minimum of \$250 at his death if he has been in the employ of the company for two years; the maximum amount to be received is \$3,000. The schedule is based on the amount of salary and the number of years each employee has been with the company. The employee must have been employed by the company for at least two years before he is entitled to participate in the benefit given. No fee is charged for this insurance and it works automatically on the basis of the salary received and the years employed.

Picked the "Lock" on Lockman

Mr. F. E. Lockman, Pullman agent at Grand Canyon, came in Tuesday from the Canyon to be present while being initiated into the great band of Elks. It is well known among the members of the order that a person can not be initiated unless he attends personally, consequently Mr. Lockman presented his physique in person which is some avadupoise, physically speaking. He was supposed to have been one of the fragments of the previous big class of Elks initiated some time ago, but he happened to be busy refusing to sell tickets for lower berths in empty Pullman cars at Grand Canyon at the time, consequently wandered in alone to receive all that was left over and not received by the other bunch. He came, he was, he did. They even picked the "Lock" off the "man."

REGISTERING OFFICERS ALL DEMOCRATS THIS YEAR

We note with some temerity that among the registration officers appointed for the county that none of them happen to be republicans. This, of course, may have just happened like that. Still it is a small affair—small in many ways, and it would seem that the republicans of the county, as well as other political parties might take some exceptions to it and wonder why they were completely ignored.

It has just occurred to us that if any one of the republican tribe want to vote this fall, it would be well for them to see that they are registered, for if that is your particular brand of politics, there will be no one to suggest it to you officially, or hunt you up.

The laws of Arizona of today, were mainly invented to protect and promote the party now in power—it is up to the people to see that they themselves are represented and are able to express their own individual opinion at the coming election, for that reason, we would suggest that every man and woman should see that their name is on the register whether or not some one is specially deputized to look after you because you happen to be a democrat.

Petty politics may win at times but it does not usually continue or win the approbation of honest, broad minded men who believe that a square deal is approved by people of whatever political belief.

The county recorder has the appointment of all such registration officers, except in the cases of justices of the peace, who are authorized to take registrations without his authority.

Francis D. Crable for Co. Attorney

Francis D. Crable is an aspirant for the nomination on the republican ticket for the office of County Attorney at the coming primaries in September and has the assurance of many friends of their hearty support for the place.

Mr. Crable, is a bright, clear cut young man and a native son of Arizona, having been born at the famous old town of Tombstone in the year 1885, where he continued to make his home until he came to Flagstaff some four years ago with his family.

He has achieved a good name for himself among the legal fraternity by his own unaided efforts and has built up a good legal business during his residence in Flagstaff as a result of his ability.

While he is not making a plentitude of promises as to the things he will or will not do if elected, law will be law as it is written so far as he is concerned, made for the purpose of enforcement, with justice as the ultimate result in view.

The office of County Attorney is one of the most important in the gift of the people of the county, for it rests with him whether or not complaints are such as should be considered in the best interests of the people of the county or whether they should not be considered, a question of judgment wherein the tax payers are deeply interested. His friends are firm in their belief that he would judiciously handle such cases in the best interests of the people at large.

The people of Arizona have seen fit to enact a prohibition amendment to the constitution of the state and he will, if elected, rigidly enforce such amendment as well as all other laws of our state.

Moon Gets a Black Eye

There was a total eclipse of the moon last Friday night which started in early in the evening and kept eclipsing for some hours. Some people thought that it was only one of the mills shut down or that green wood was being dumped into the refuse burner, but as a matter of fact it was the regular moon that has been used in this part of the country for many sleeps. The other planet got by all right consequently The Sun shines again today.

Would Be State Tax Commissioner

Mr. Owen E. Murphey, the present democratic county recorder of Tombstone, has been interviewing the voters in Flagstaff the past few days as to his candidacy for the nomination on the democratic ticket for the office of state tax commissioner. While Mr. Murphey has had the misfortune of losing one leg, he is making a strong race for the nomination and his friends claim that he is the kind of a campaigner and man that will make good if elected to that office.

ONLY PURE MOUNTAIN SPRING WATER FOR FLAGSTAFF USERS

Pure mountain spring water, filtered through volcanic ash, the purest product of the kind in the world, is the only kind of water that is being used by the city through their eighteen mile pipe line. This statement is vouched for by Mayor John who has recently taken a special interest in the matter because of the reports that flood waters were turned into the big reservoir below the springs where the country had been grazed over by sheep and cattle.

Some years ago the grounds around the springs were excluded from stock in order that there could be no contamination of our water supply.

Later years during the dry seasons spring flood waters were turned into the small reservoir, coming from grazed over areas, which recently caused a movement by some to have the flood water area, some thirteen sections, excluded from stock grazing.

The necessity for this has been obviated by an investigation by Mayor John, who has devised a method of running the flood water directly to the railroad for at least ninety days in the year during the flood season, giving them 200,000 gallons per day, thus leaving the water direct from the springs to fill and keep the big reservoir full the year round, as the city

is now using on an average of 500,000 gallons per day and the flow of water is more than enough to maintain both reservoirs on this basis. During June, July and August the city consumes approximately 350,000 gallons daily, this during the rainy season.

Under these conditions it is reasonably sure to fill the fifty million gallon reservoir before November 1st, at which time the flow from the springs begins to diminish.

Mayor John has taken such an interest in the matter that he has been making personal trips every ten days to weir in order to satisfy himself as to the record of water flow. No flood water will hereafter be turned into the reservoir unless there is a dire need because of a disastrous drought, which is hardly contemplated with the amount of spring water that has been developed in the past few years during dry seasons.

Under the circumstances there seems little need of "parking" this amount of grazing lands when the flood water can be used to an advantage without possible contamination of the spring water.

Flagstaff's absolutely pure water supply, is one of its greatest assets and the authorities as well as the citizens propose to keep it even above the suspicion of contamination.

CHIEF JUSTICE ROSS VISITS FORMER HOME

Chief Justice H. D. Ross of the supreme court of the state, came into Flagstaff Monday by auto from Prescott accompanied by his son Ted and Mr. R. C. Dryer of Prescott.

Judge Ross was one of the pioneer residents of Flagstaff in the early days and is well acquainted with all the old timers in this section of the country. When abruptly accused of having aspirations for the nomination again on the democratic ticket for the office of justice of the supreme court, he firmly refused to deny the allegation and actually admitted that if there was a numerous vote for him among the democrats at the coming primary, and if they are sufficient in number, he would again make a campaign for that very important office.

Judge Ross remained in Flagstaff while his son Ted and Mr. Dryer made the trip to the Grand Canyon.

Chas. T. Woolfolk for Supervisor

Chas. T. Woolfolk announces his candidacy for the nomination on the democratic ticket for the office of supervisor in this issue of The Sun. Mr. Woolfolk is at present one of the members of the board and his term of office will expire this year, together with that of Supervisor R. T. Brown of Williams.

He has been a conscientious member of that body, doing his duty as he saw it regardless of criticism and was always ready to sacrifice his time in looking after the affairs of the county.

Mr. Woolfolk is a clear headed business man whose honesty has never been questioned by friend or foe; he has been a resident of the county for a good many years, and makes his home within the county entirely. His efforts during the past two years have been directed toward keeping down the expenses of the county and getting a dollar for dollar value for the money spent and should he be re-elected, will continue his efforts along that line.

Fairchild Asks to Succeed Himself

Frank Fairchild, the present incumbent in the office of constable for the Flagstaff district, has announced his intentions of running again for that office, subject to the decision of the democratic voters at the primaries in September.

Frank has a reputation of being one of the most fearless officers in Northern Arizona, and his past record will bear him out in that regard, for they do not make men too large, or too quick on the trigger to cause him to hesitate in the least in performing his duty as he sees it.

He was born and raised in Flagstaff and claims the title of "pioneer" regardless of the fact that he has not the gray locks to go with it as it is usually understood.

He has heretofore held responsible positions as deputy sheriff in this county and has a working acquaintance with pretty much all of Northern Arizona as an officer of the law.

He has been square with the law and his friends and asks for the support of his friends again this year on that grounds.

T. H. Cureton for Legislature

Mr. T. H. Cureton has announced his intention of being a candidate for the nomination on the republican ticket for the office of state representative.

Mr. Cureton is a native of Missouri and at present a resident of Williams, where he has made his home for the past ten years. He has staked his all there and is the owner of a large block of Williams city property—believing thoroughly in the future of the place and in the growth and prosperity of the whole of Coconino county. He is a lawyer of ability, having been a graduate of Harvard college, and under his principled leadership the schools of Williams made the greatest advancement and progress from the village type to that of a real city school.

Mr. Cureton was the first member of the bar admitted after Arizona became a state and his legal ability has never been used to avoid paying his just proportion of taxes due. He is a bright, aggressive and thoroughly capable man who would represent the whole of Coconino county as well as the best interests of the state if elected to that office.

His legal knowledge would stand him in good stead and particularly fits him for that kind of work; like the average thinking man he is against the great mass of unworkable and confusing laws that are coming up at all times, believing in fewer, better and more intelligible rules to govern the people rather than more laws and more lawyers.

Old Timer Quits Logging Road

Wick Thompson, who has held the various positions from brakeman to division superintendent on the A. L. & T. logging road, resigned last week after having put in a matter of eighteen years with the company. One would naturally infer from the length of time he has served there that he was of a restless temperament and always wanting to move around. He has not decided just what he will do next, except to take a short vacation before starting in on something permanently. It will seem rather strange to old timers not to see Wick Thompson when they visit the old logging road.

Lady Campaigner in Flagstaff

Miss Boehinger, of Yuma, who is a candidate for the nomination on the democratic ticket for the office of state superintendent of public instruction, has been visiting friends in Flagstaff this week and incidentally suggesting her desire to be the nominee for that state office. Miss Boehinger has a winning personality and there are reasons to believe that she will receive a whole lot of votes in this part of the state.

W. F. Griffin Seriously Ill

Mr. W. F. Griffin has been dangerously ill the past week with what is thought to be blood poisoning resulting from an old wound received in a runaway while visiting in Texas some time ago. His case was so serious that a trained nurse was secured from Albuquerque Tuesday to attend him. At last reports he was improving slowly.

IMPROVEMENTS BEGET MORE IMPROVEMENTS

Just as an evidence that improvements beget improvements, it is only necessary to go from block to block around that portion of the city now being paved and see the improvements in walks, new fences and curbs. That the present district being paved is only the commencement of the improved streets coming, is an assured fact. A dilapidated looking town only fosters more dilapidation; it is the same with streets for there is no one person who wants to be pointed out as the only hopeless vag on the street—the one who won't have any civic pride regardless of all others on the block.

If all citizens would content themselves with conditions as they found them, this would be a most deplorable old world to live in and education would be a drug on the market—in fact a detriment to the possessor thereof, for he might know better and be helpless and more miserable by reason of his knowledge. If the old timers of twenty years ago had been content with the conditions as they found them, they would be still buying water by the barrel at from 25 to \$1.00 per barrel—when the water wagon could get enough water to come around and slop it into your dirty old barrel, dirt, filth and all.

This would be a rotten old world now if the great majority who come into it thought that it was good enough just as they found it and there was no effort to improve conditions.

When you stop and think of it, the point of view does not appeal to many who balk at the improvements the progressive property owners want.

It should not be such a bad dose for the retrogressives to take, when they are only paying for the improvement of their own property and thereby increasing the value of it many times what they are compelled to pay for the improvements.

Would Have a Weedless Town

It has been ordained by the city council that Flagstaff should be a weedless town, regardless of the fact that vacant lots have heretofore run riot with debris and weeds to the utter disgust of the neighbor who has endeavored to improve his property. The ordinance is a good one and should be enforced. The vacant property has been the eye sore heretofore; it was bringing in no revenue to the owner and it was generally overlooked much to the detriment of the progressive, thrifty owner of adjoining property. Just at present Flagstaff is in a state of transition, as it were, and the honest efforts of her citizens along the lines of improvement and progress will be of greater benefit now and produce greater results than it will in later years.

N. G. Layton for Justice of the Peace

Judge N. G. Layton announces his candidacy this week for the nomination on the republican ticket for the office of justice of the peace for the Flagstaff precinct.

Judge Layton has been a resident of Flagstaff almost from the time it first originated and started in as a lumberjack when the first sawmill commenced work north of Flagstaff; in later years he held the office of Probate judge for a couple terms and was afterwards made state superintendent of public instruction of the state under Governor Brodie. The office of justice of the peace for the Flagstaff precinct has grown from year to year in importance until it has become necessary to fill it with one of good judicial ability and a good working knowledge of the laws of the state.

Judge Layton is fully qualified for the duties of the office and would respectfully ask the support of his friends in securing the nomination for the place.

Mayor Studebakers a Cow

Mayor John went out to Lake Mary last Wednesday evening to attend the festivities of the Elk's Committee. Mr. John is one of those earnest, honest men who believe in doing as he goes. There are but few commas in his make up—consequently he does not hesitate much. On his way out in his auto, a brindle cow attempted to keep on both sides of the road while the mayor was using the middle of the thoroughfare. In the industrious efforts of the cow to keep all sides of the road covered, the mayor was compelled to suddenly Studebaker the cow to end the dispute. Aside from that he reached the Lake and the cow went away complaining of the thickly settled condition of the country.

MAY BE MORE PAVING WHILE PAVING IS GOOD

Jack Morton, state manager of the California-Arizona Construction Co., contractors who have charge of the street paving, came in Wednesday from Phoenix on a tour of inspection. Mr. Morton says that all the work at present contracted for will be finished by the middle of August and that there is a prospect for putting in several other blocks of paving connecting up with the paving done in the business district. The property owners on Leroux street north and on Aspen avenue east and west are almost unanimous in their desire for the good work to be continued on their blocks and there is a good prospect of the work being done yet this fall while the men, machinery and material are on the ground ready to do the work.

Few have had as yet the opportunity to appreciate the value of the paving that has been put down, owing to the fact that but a couple blocks have been in use and then under difficulties, because of the torn up condition of the blocks surrounding.

There has been some delay in the receipt of cement, but the street gangs have been putting in good time preparing other blocks for the concrete base. Last week we inadvertently said that the streets were being covered with asphalt. Now, as we understand it, the technical name for the composition that is going down on the streets is "bitulithic."

COW KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT AT NIGHT

An auto accident occurred late Tuesday night near Maine in which a cow was killed and two of the party slightly injured. The party consisting of Misses Agnes and Josephine Rowe, Fred Thompson and Tyson Schwalbe, they were with a party of automobiles of young people who had been attending a dance at Williams. On the way home an old cow concluded to cross the road at the last moment and was struck and instantly killed; the auto was overturned and Miss Josephine Rowe was rendered unconscious for the time being and badly shaken up.

Fred Thompson had two ribs broken when the machine turned over. None of the other parties were injured. The parties following picked them up and brought them to Flagstaff. The machine was not greatly damaged by the contact.

ELKS JOLLIFICATION DANCE AT LAKE MARY

The Elks executive committee, who so successfully pulled off the Fourth of July celebration, gave a dance party to all concerned at Lake Mary on Wednesday evening at which all were present or accounted for and a "good time was had by the hull of 'em" as they usually do under such circumstances. Some twenty cars or more went out to the lake carrying the workers and their friends. The gathering was preceded by Fred Hensing, who went out a few hours ahead of the main bunch in order to have plenty of fish ready for the festive party when they arrived.

Dancing was danced and eatings were "et" and much enjoyment was amused during the time they prevented the black bass from sleeping.

Ira S. Brown for Constable

Ira S. Brown is a candidate for the office of constable on the republican ticket, for the Flagstaff precinct and will make an earnest race for the place.

Brown is a young man who has considerable experience as an officer of the law and is one of the kind who believes in an honest observance of the law and equal rights to all concerned, regardless of the political complexion or previous condition of servitude of the person who happens to be involved in difficulty.

There is no political faction or special friends backing him in his candidacy and he is making the race on his own responsibility, with a request that he be given an equal chance with the rest in the race, and an opportunity to show the people the stuff he is made of in any condition that may arise.

He asks no special privilege and would be pleased to have an opportunity to show his ability as an officer in the Flagstaff precinct for the next two years. From a glimpse of his past, there is evidence that his future would in no way redound to his discredit, if elected to the office of constable.